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From: democraticmedia@democraticmedia.org
Sent: Saturday, November 15, 2003 11:12 AM
To: Michael Powell; Kathleen Abernathy; Michael Copps; KJMWEB; Commissioner Adelstein
Subject: Stop the digital broadcast give-away

From: Laurel Jacob

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

This should be a no-brainer since the air waves belong to us, the viewing public. As owners, we have the right to demand a diverse and more democratic media that truly serves the public interest. Don't cave-in to big media again.

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From: Louise Page

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"Behind closed doors" A dead-sure giveaway of the real intent behind this proposed action. In other words, more for the big guys, less for us - you know, the ones who make them money ---- !

Enough allready! Why do we have an FCC. If your only intent is to guarantee more and more profits, and control for these all-powerfull media conglomerates, then why don't you just close up shop, lock the doors and let us, through our elected representitives, set up a new method to safeguard the public interests?

Or, or why don't you fess up, open the doors, let us in on these meetings and function as you should --- in the public interest. There's a novel idea!

Puleez --- no more hand-outs, no more giveaways, put the breaks on this rush to establish digital policy "by the providers" and establish public interest obligations for the providers. Let's get the priorities right.

Stop the Digital Broadcast Giveaway!

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From: Jon R. Koppenhoefer

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Who owns the airwaves? Apparently not the public. I don't know why I waste my time with messages like this one when the regulatory apparatus is owned lock, stock, and barrel by the corporations who are being 'regulated'.

But it's therapeutic, I suppose, just being able to write to the government from time to time and let you servants of the powerful know--for what it's worth--that the peasants know who really runs this country.

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From: Dick Connolly

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From: Vernon Faulkner

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From: Hugh Toland

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Tha airwaves belong to the people yet all I see with very few exceptions is utter garbage 24/7. Broadcasters should be required to present more informative responsible programming to the people rather than serving the interests of big business and the selfish political agendas of the media owners/controllers. We are treated like a nation of zombies and it's time for some REAL truth and information out there.

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From: Nancy Tally

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Powell YOU need to get out of the F.C.C, you are a corporate wet dream, and the American peoples worst nightmare, you are not looking out for the public interest again, YOU never have, you need to resign from the F.C.C. The people are sick of your behind closed doors meetings with media giants, (ABC, Comcast, NAB,) Powell get out of ours lives, you are a liar just like the whole Bush mess, stop the give away of OUR "airwaves"

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From: Susan Bethon

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The public owns the airwaves, according to the U.S. Constitution. Please keep this in mind while you negotiate with private industry representatives! The 2004 elections will be a reflection of your current dealings with the FCC and private industry in terms of safeguarding the public interest and the values of our democratic republic. Freedom of speech and press is a deeply personal issue with most Americans, I can assure you, and this issue cannot be compromised without dramatic consequences from the voting public.

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From: Robert Boden II

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From: Susan Keith

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From: Brian D. Fulton

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From: Joseph Roman

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This is a legitimate response!!!

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From: Ken Cornet

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From: Douglas C. Estes

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates.

The airwaves belong to all of us and they must equally serve all of us.

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From: Suzanne Patzer

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From: Barbara Batson

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Broadcast stations should have in their bylaws/contracts a stipulation that they must provide alternate views and more free public access.

These airwaves belong to the people, and we should have more input.

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From: John D. Bartram

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The government should not be giving away the people's resources to media corporations who will only use them to enrich the few.

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From: Brian Forrest

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For decades, the public has provided broadcast spectrum to communications companies free of charge. This is well and good, so long as the companies agree to use this public property in ways that serve the public interest. I therefore urge the FCC to adopt public-interest clauses into any new rulings it passes regarding digital broadcasts.

Sincerely,
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From: Mitchell Szczepanczyk

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History has shown time and again that such blatant giveaways to business interests have led to dismal, homogenized programming, with little concern for anyone aside from owners and advertisers.

I urge the FCC to expand its input in this matter the beyond just the usual coterie of lobbyists and owners. It should include input from everyday people, or even those who met in Madison, Wisconsin this past weekend for the National Conference on Media Reform (see www.mediareform.net for more information). You can find some excellent feedback from that group.

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From: M Achaibar

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When will the pandering to large corporations with deep pockets stop in Washington? When will the FCC become aware and make sensible decisions?

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From: Leonard & Ellen Zablow

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The ownership and control of the media mustn't be in the hands of people whose only end is to make money. These capabilities belong to all the people in the country and should not be limited to the moneyed. Using a corporation's or individual's money to override other voices is not the equivalent of free speech.

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Don't suppose for one minute that because these new media technologies are developing at such a fast rate, that the public can't possibly keep up with the latest regulations concerning the public interests, and indeed our lives. Apparently the FCC is not concerned with "We The People". "WE" will keep a watchful eye on you. My Thanks to the CDD for helping us keep that eye open.

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